

REMARKS AND ELECTION

Election of Invention and Species

Applicant confirms election of the species shown in Figs. 2A-2C (Embodiment I) for prosecution in the present application. The election was made without traverse in the response dated October 25, 2004. Claims reading on the elected species are claims 1-11.

Applicant gratefully acknowledges the Examiner's consideration of Remarks made on behalf of the Applicant in the previous Election dated October 25, 2004, and the indication that claims 1, 2, and 5 are generic.

In view of the newly presented restriction requirement, Applicant hereby elects invention I for prosecution in the present application. Accordingly, claims 19-20 are canceled without prejudice.

Diligent examination of claims 1-11 is respectfully requested.

Conclusion

If the Examiner has any questions, the undersigned attorney may be contacted at the number provided below.

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